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While the citizenry of the City & County of Honolulu is busy working to make ends meet, our industrious council members are busy putting through bills, amendments, ordinances and whatever else they can do to go forward with the mass transit plans, which includes, but not limited to, transit oriented development, multi family dwellings, parking, and yes, hotels(Bill 13) Even though we may get the impression from newspaper articles that perhaps the council will rethink the technology and perhaps take a breather and consider alternatives, it appears by the number of bills and resolutions before council today that this proves to be the exact opposite. It is not to late to look at other possibilities, such as those that have been suggested by Dr. Panos Prevedouros, Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at our own UH campus and recommendations from other learned individuals. There will be a point and time where it will be too late! The so called people that will benefit from our proposed transit is not the ridership but the ones that stand to make money, lots and lots of money, not only from the taxpayers of Hawaii but everywhere else because of whatever monies we HOPE to get from the Federal Government and these monies is just for the planning and building of the transit and transit centers. There is a lot of money to be made for what is being proposed around these "transit centers". All this means to the ridership is that they will get to their low paying jobs faster to pay for their high cost of living. This is Honolulu's newest "field of dreams".

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